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Admiral Stansfield Turner
Director
Central Intelligence Agency
Washington, DC 20505

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Dear Admiral Turner:

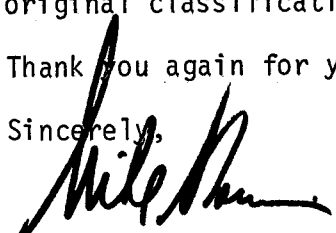
Thank you for your letter of June 1, 1979 providing your recommendations regarding waivers from the 10-year review requirements for national security information as prescribed in Section 3-401, Executive Order 12065. I also wish to thank you for arranging additional briefings for me regarding the various categories of information for which you proposed that a waiver be granted.

I have discussed your proposal with my staff and with other interested agencies. While we find no basic disagreement with the general subject areas proposed, it was the general consensus that grouping all categories into a general waiver with a single and uniform review interval would greatly simplify the administrative application of the waiver.

I am enclosing for your comment a proposed memorandum with enclosure that outlines the procedures described above and would appreciate your comments on it. Upon receipt of your general agreement to this proposal, I shall coordinate the document with other subject matter interest agencies and then issue the memorandum as uniform policy for all executive branch agencies granted original classification authority pursuant to Executive Order 12065.

Thank you again for your assistance in this matter.

Sincerely,



MICHAEL T. BLOUIN
Director

Enclosure

CATEGORIES OF INFORMATION FOR WHICH THE
DIRECTOR OF THE INFORMATION SECURITY OVERSIGHT
OFFICE (ISOO) HAS GRANTED WAIVERS OF THE
10-YEAR REVIEW REQUIREMENT OF SECTION 3-401 OF
EXECUTIVE ORDER 12065

The Director of the Information Security Oversight Office has granted a waiver from the 10-year review requirements prescribed in Section 3-401 of Executive Order 12065 for the following categories of information:

- Intelligence documents and/or material(s) constituting or containing identifiable foreign government information as defined in Section 6-103 of Executive Order 12065 and Section I F.1. of Information Security Oversight Office Directive No. 1.
- Information constituting or concerning cryptologic or cryptographic intelligence, including information on the development and/or use of any method, means, system, device, installation or activity for the acquisition or transmission of such intelligence or for the protection of cryptographically processed data including cryptographic, communications and emanations security procedures, techniques, materials and equipment.
- Information constituting or concerning counterintelligence, defined by Executive Order 12036 of January 24, 1978 (Section 4-202) as ". . . information gathered and activities conducted to protect against espionage, sabotage, international terrorist activities or assassinations conducted for on behalf of foreign powers, organizations or persons, but not including personnel, physical, document or communications security programs."
- Information involving or concerning intelligence sources and methods and covered under special access, distribution and protection programs continued or established pursuant to Section 4-2 of Executive Order 12065.
- Information which identifies any undercover personnel or unit(s) or clandestine human agent(s) of a National Foreign Intelligence Board or other United States Intelligence Community member agency; or which otherwise reveals information classifiable under the provisions of Executive Order 12065 concerning sensitive intelligence sources, methods or activities including intelligence plans, policies, or operations, of such an agency or any element thereof.
- Intelligence reports and other documents which contain information covertly acquired and which bear the legend, "THIS IS UNEVALUATED INFORMATION" or an equivalent marking, or are similar in format or contents to items so marked; and in which the formats used, subject matter, source descriptions or other content would, in collections or aggregates of such reports and/or other documents, reveal the nature, scope or extent of United States intelligence activities in, or in relation to, particular foreign countries or areas or would identify the intelligence sources or methods.

The application of the 10-year review waiver to information described above shall be strictly limited to information described above that:

- has been systematically reviewed upon its 20th anniversary;
- is identified through such review as requiring continued classification for a period in excess of twenty additional years;
- cannot, when so reviewed, be assigned a definitive date or event for declassification; thus, requiring at least one additional review; and,
- is certified by an agency head or official designated by the President authorized to do so under Executive Order 12065.

Information to which this waiver is applied shall be re-reviewed 30 years following the initial 20 year-review, and thereafter at 10-year intervals if necessary.

This waiver applies only to the systematic review process prescribed in Section 3-401 of Executive Order 12065. Information requested under the Freedom of Information Act or the mandatory review provisions of Executive Order 12065 will continue to be processed in accordance with the Act and the Order, whether or not the information falls within the categories of information for which this waiver is granted, nor shall this waiver be construed as an exemption from any requirements imposed on an agency by Section 3-303 of E.O. 12065.

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3 August 1979

Remarks:

To 6: Please advise DCI and prepare DCI response to M. Blouin..

Executive Secretary

24 July 79

Date